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Tim in KY https://rumbletalk-images-

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**Tim in KY** The route is lumpy from start to finish. Only five of the lumps are 07-05-2024 categorized, two Cat 3s and three Cat 4s. The final five kilometers are straight and roundabout-free but the final kilometer goes up at 3%.

Tim in KY https://rumbletalk-images-

**07-05-2024** 04:11:27 pm

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Tim in KY https://rumbletalk-images-

**07-05-2024** 04:11:56 pm

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**Tim in KY** Kilometer zero is scheduled for 13:05 CEST. Finish is imagined either side of 17:30. Forecast is for clouds and the possibility of intermittent rain all along the route. Temps in the upper-teens.

07-05-2024 04:12:57 pm

**Tim in KY** Mads Pederson has abandoned with injuries' from a stage 5 crash.

07-06-2024 06:40:30 am

**Tim in KY** There is lots of rain in the area but right now it looks to have moved off to the east.

07-06-2024 06:41:20 am

**Tim in KY** 13:05 is the neutral start, kilometer zero is at 13:20.

07-06-2024 06:43:10 am



Tim in KY Good morning, Mike.

07-06-2024 07:26:34 am



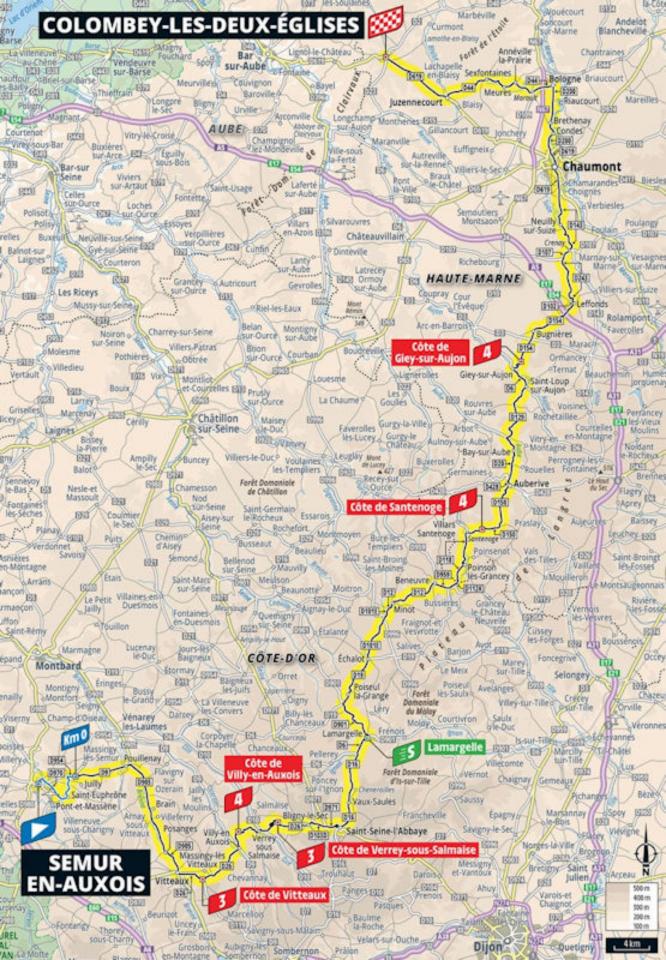
bikerabe 3 off the front at start

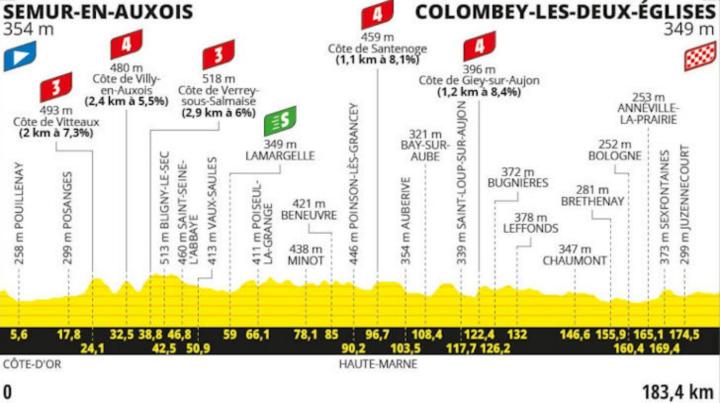
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**mmcnally** Good morning, Tim. Great to see riders looking to race today. Many should be well rested.

07-06-2024 07:27:18 am







Tim in KY Very lumpy road already.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 07:28:58 am
<b>bikerabe</b> Powless with polha dot	<b>07-06-2024</b> 07:29:05 am
<b>bikerabe</b> polka	<b>07-06-2024</b> 07:29:48 am
Tim in KY Bissegger, Powless and Dots have 20 seconds.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 07:30:08 am
Tim in KY Nearly a minute now.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 07:32:48 am
Tim in KY Two minutes now. The paint will now dry.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 07:37:19 am
mmcnally I'm surprised more teams didn't try and get someone in the break	<b>&lt;.</b> 07-06-2024 07:38:59 am
<b>Tim in KY</b> Showers drifting around the route but the heavy stuff is still to the east.	9 <b>07-06-2024</b> 07:39:09 am
Tim in KY The sprinters' team were blocking the front of the peloton.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 07:39:48 am
<b>bikerabe</b> Mads explaining why his DNS	<b>07-06-2024</b> 07:41:56 am
<b>Tim in KY</b> Lots of spray off wet roads. Back in the peloton it's probably as drenching as actual rain.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 07:45:15 am
Tim in KY Gap is holding around 2	<b>07-06-2024</b> 07:47:49 am
Tim in KY ;30. I'm going to get to work on tonight's gazpacho.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 07:48:22 am
RCG Sorry to hear about Mads.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 07:54:33 am

RCG The room is filled with zoomy kittens this morning.  They have such grand fun laying together; it will be sad when they are split up to go to different homes. Dad has been unable to email me pictures of moving sale stuff…  My aun there yesterday and took some beautiful pictures of some mint-condition vintage antithings that Mom had and (and worth something, unbeknownst to Mom) but did not go message asking if she could take pictures until after she returned home. So my pare self-fulfilling prophecy of "†no one is going to come out to our moving sale†seeming more and more of a certainty with each passing day that I can't get stufon social media.	nt was ique et my ents' is
RCG * Playing together.  Although the microcats spend a lot of time  lying around snoozing together too.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 08:00:57 am
bikerabe peloton almost 3 min. behind	<b>07-06-2024</b> 08:24:56 am
<b>bikerabe</b> over 3	<b>07-06-2024</b> 08:25:16 am
Tim in KY Gazpacho chilling. I see I missed all the excitement here.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 08:33:53 am
<b>bikerabe</b> peloton 5 min, behind	<b>07-06-2024</b> 08:38:07 am
<b>bikerabe</b> sprint coming soon	<b>07-06-2024</b> 08:39:24 am
<b>bikerabe</b> Go Girmay !	<b>07-06-2024</b> 08:39:57 am
<b>bikerabe</b> polka dot in 2nd place green jersey comp so gets 29 points Girmay gets 2nd 17 points	07-06-2024 08:50:15 am
mmcnally Partly cloudy with no rain for tomorrow's race on the white roads in Troyes. Troyes did get a little rain today. That is a very interesting stage and I'm curious how it will be raced. My guess is it will be a bit chaotic.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 08:58:07 am
<b>Tim in KY</b> It looks like all the white roads are through the Champagne vineyards east of town. Rather like Paris/Tours in the Loire vineyards every October.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:01:11 am
Tim in KY Dots is on the slowest imaginable time.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:01:59 am

<b>bikerabe</b> peloton now 6 min. behind	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:02:24 am
<b>bikerabe</b> so peloton even slower than dots	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:03:22 am
mmcnally Have you visited that area, Tim? I have not been to that area of France.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:03:37 am
Katie S Good morning, all. Took the teenager to the airport last night and escorted her to the gate because she traveled as a (very anxious) unaccompanied minor. She's back home in Phoenix now. We enjoyed her visit l'm worn out!	07-06-2024 09:08:13 am , but
Katie S Very bummed Mads is out of the race	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:08:32 am
mmcnally I'm sure you created some great memories for her, Katie.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:08:55 am
<b>Tim in KY</b> Been to Reims and Epernay in Champagne but not as far south as Troyes, Mike.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:11:38 am
Mikey Good morning. Mass is out?	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:12:21 am
Tim in KY Yes Mikey.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:12:38 am
Mikey mads! Stupid spell check	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:13:07 am
Mikey but mass not out	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:13:23 am
RCG Spell check has a mind of its own and is doing even worse stuff than usual these days.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:14:17 am
<b>Katie S</b> Thanks, Mike. I hope so. I think so. She's a pretty quiet kid.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:14:34 am

<b>Tim in KY</b> It looks like it will stay dry for the rest of the race but there is still chance of rain towards the finish.	a 07-06-2024 09:16:10 am
Tim in KY 3 KU to go.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:18:50 am
Mikey big storms headed your way this week Tim?	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:20:16 am
<b>Tim in KY</b> No, Mikey, just some afternoon summer showers. And cool for July. Just upper 70s.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:22:14 am
Mikey I saw that when the tropical storm hits land it's headed in your direction	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:34:11 am
Tim in KY That's not in my forecast yet.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:38:38 am
Mikey well you can look forward to it	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:41:53 am
Mikey too far in the future forecast	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:42:27 am
<b>bikerabe</b> Texas is next for Beryl	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:44:53 am
Tim in KY Still on the slowest imaginable time.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:49:09 am
<b>Mikey</b> well enjoy your day. l'm off to take my mom on errands!	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:49:35 am
Katie S So. Many. Ads.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:55:29 am
Katie S Enjoy the day, Mikey	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:55:47 am
Tim in KY Dots is getting a bit wobbly.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 09:58:53 am

<b>bikerabe</b> 70 km gap down to 5 min.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 10:03:23 am
Katie S 2KU ish	<b>07-06-2024</b> 10:04:41 am
Tim in KY Final Cat 4 starts.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 10:08:47 am
<b>bikerabe</b> rain pouring at finish right now	<b>07-06-2024</b> 10:10:58 am
Tim in KY On radar it looks like rain will be gone by the finish time.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 10:12:32 am
<b>bikerabe</b> head of peloton 4 min. gap	<b>07-06-2024</b> 10:13:46 am
Katie S We laying odds on the catch?	<b>07-06-2024</b> 10:19:02 am
Tim in KY I'd go with 100%.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 10:25:30 am
<b>Katie S</b> And l'll guess at 11 km	<b>07-06-2024</b> 10:41:20 am
mmcnally Weather is looking rather ominous.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 10:43:28 am
Tim in KY Radar not looking promising.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 10:44:25 am
<b>bikerabe</b> 1 KU 2.5 sec gap polka will be caught	<b>07-06-2024</b> 10:48:56 am
<b>bikerabe</b> catch by 20 km ?	<b>07-06-2024</b> 10:56:36 am
Tim in KY 0% chance of rain tomorrow afternoon in Troyes.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 10:57:42 am
Tim in KY I think 20 km is too soon.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 10:59:21 am

<b>Tim in KY</b> There are only four KOM points tomorrow so the Dots are safe through the rest day.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 11:01:08 am
<b>bikerabe</b> not quite 36 secs	<b>07-06-2024</b> 11:05:10 am
<b>Toulouse</b> I am late to the party once again. Today it's because I was trying to water the yard but one of the sprinklers was frozen. As in 32F frozen.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 11:05:54 am
Tim in KY Yikes, Toulouse.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 11:08:02 am
mmcnally Reading that a rider has passed away at the Tour of Austria today. It appears a crash on the descent.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 11:08:02 am
Katie S Oh no	<b>07-06-2024</b> 11:09:16 am
<b>bikerabe</b> catch anytime 15 km	<b>07-06-2024</b> 11:10:11 am
PasadenaK8 Very sad news (mornin', everyone)	07-06-2024 11:10:15 am
<b>bikerabe</b> terrible on Tour of Austria	<b>07-06-2024</b> 11:11:18 am
Tim in KY https://rumbletalk-images- upload.s3.amazonaws.com/61922326bc2ef459e5ed5de71ef53a57/17202789 8-route-finale.jpg	07-06-2024 11:11:32 am 190-stage-
<b>Katie S</b> Caught at 14km… my guess wasn't bad. (pat pat pat the back)	<b>07-06-2024</b> 11:17:08 am

PasadenaK8 Seems Julien Bernard got fined yesterday for that little stop during the TT, when he embraced his wife & whooped it up with his fans.

200CHF for "unseemly or inappropriate behavior during the race and damage to the image of the sport", He's got no regrets, and would do it all over again \*;-) A seems that Kévin Vauquelin has a bit of an anger management problem. He received a 500CHF fine yesterday for "assault, intimidation, insults, threats, incorrect behavior or behavior that is indecent or that endangers riders†. (wonder what happened there...)



<b>Toulouse</b> I was just reading that about Julien Bernard. He was half an hour from home and had lots of friends on the climb. He still finished 61st.	07-06-2024 11:21:21 am
mmcnally I had wrote yesterday during the stage that I had read Vauquelin had some maturity issues to work through. To steal Katie's line pat pat the back. :)	<b>07-06-2024</b> 11:22:54 am
PasadenaK8 Yeah, a little awkward for those other 113 riders that Julien beat.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 11:25:18 am
PasadenaK8 Do you know what happened, mmcnally? Was it something that happened during, before, or after the race?	07-06-2024 11:26:25 am
Tim in KY Looks like they're going to finish right on the imagined time.	<b>07-06-2024</b> 11:26:36 am
<b>bikerabe</b> it was Andre Drege, Norwegian that ustria fatalitywas the A	<b>07-06-2024</b> 11:27:14 am
mmcnally I don't regarding yesterday's fine/incident. I had read some things around the French nationals about his maturity.	3 <b>07-06-2024</b> 11:28:09 am
<b>bikerabe</b> red kite	<b>07-06-2024</b> 11:28:56 am
PasadenaK8 Woo-hoo!	<b>07-06-2024</b> 11:30:22 am
<b>bikerabe</b> Girmay!	<b>07-06-2024</b> 11:30:27 am
Tim in KY Gravel and Champagne tomorrow.	07-06-2024 11:31:37 am
bikerabe all the way to Nice finish Biniam !	07-06-2024 11:31:44 am
RCG Bini…Bini…. Bini…. Bini and the Jetssssssssss	07-06-2024 11:31:46 am
<b>bikerabe</b> good RCG	<b>07-06-2024</b> 11:32:10 am

Preliminary results.				25s
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3	DE LIE Arnaud	Lotto Dstny	0:00	
4	ACKERMANN Pascal	Israel - Premier Tech	0:00	
5	VAN DEN BERG Marijn	EF Education - EasyPost	0:00	
6	GIBBONS Ryan	Lidl - Trek	0:00	
7	<b>TURGIS Anthony</b>	TotalEnergies	0:00	
8	₩ WRIGHT Fred	Bahrain - Victorious	0:00	
9	<b>ARANBURU Alex</b>	Movistar Team	0:00	
10	EVENEPOEL Remco	Soudal Quick-Step	0:00	



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PasadenaK8 See you all tomorrow…

**07-06-2024** 11:35:47 am



bikerabe onto Gravel!

07-06-2024 11:42:14 am